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# OUR TOWN

*Connecting residents & businesses with their local government*

Fall & Winter 2005

## HISTORIC MARKER TO BE DEDICATED AT ANNUAL HOLIDAY LIGHTING CEREMONY



On November 23, 2005 @ 6:00 p.m., at the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony, there will be a dedication of the historic marker, symbolizing the placement of the Bedford Historic Business District on the National Register (July-2004). The Bedford Firefighters Local 1683 will be providing refreshments, and Santa Claus will be stopping down to join us; as we celebrate the beginning of the Holiday season. Hope to see you there!



# Happy Holidays



### CHRISTMAS IN BEDFORD FALLS

SATURDAY December 10, 2005

12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

On the Bedford Square.

### *Veterans Day Remembered*

*Remember to thank a veteran for  
your freedom Friday, November 11, 2005.*



### CITY HALL CLOSINGS

City Hall will be closed in observance of the following Holidays:

Veteran's Day November 11, 2005;  
Thanksgiving Day & Day After, November 24 & 25, 2005;  
Christmas Eve & Day December 25 & 26, 2005;  
New Years Eve & Day, December 30, 2005 & January 2, 2006.

## ATTENTION SENIORS— CABLE DISCOUNTS

Bedford residents age 60 and over are entitled to a 15 percent (15%) discount on their bill for the basic cable level of service only through Adelphia Cable. The City of Bedford needs to approve all discounts and will accept applications at City Hall or Ellenwood Center.

The following information will be required at the time of sign-up:

- \*Completed application,
- \*Copy of proof of age,
- \*Copy of your driver's license, state ID, or birth certificate,
- \*Copy of entire cable bill.

The bill must show name and address. Name on bill must be senior citizen applicant. For further information call City Hall at (440) 232-1600.

## DISASTER PLANS

Due to the busy hurricane season this year, many people have asked about disaster plans. Disaster planning, whether for natural or manmade, actually starts at home. In general, emergency managers advise people to be prepared for up to 3 days of inconvenience. Your emergency supplies should include the following: nonperishable food items, one gallon of water per person per day, a working flashlight, battery operated AM/FM radio, extra batteries, first aid kit, special items for infants, the aged, or disabled family members, and a small duffel bag prepared in case of an evacuation order. Although the City, County, and other organizations such as the American Red Cross have plans to assist residents during emergencies, large scale storms, power outages, or other disasters can stretch resources to the limit. Being prepared at home is the essential first step towards recovery from an emergency.

## HIGH PRICES STALL NOPEC GAS CONTRACT— "CONSUMER ALERT"

**"NEARLY  
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SOMETIME."**

Hopes by analysts that this fall would *finally* bring a drop in record-high natural gas prices were blown away by Hurricane Katrina, which seri-

ously disrupted supplies from the Gulf region. This is the latest in a string of market setbacks that

have kept gas prices elevated since last winter, and which has prevented NOPEC -- the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council -- from locking in a price on a new two-year gas deal. An agreement was reached last year with Dominion Retail, but the contract will not be triggered until a suitable price can be obtained by NOPEC. Nearly everyone believes the market will correct itself and wholesale prices will come down . . . sometime. But, until they do, NOPEC cannot risk locking ag-

regation customers into a contract at the current high rates that later might be highly unfavorable. In the meantime, NOPEC customers will continue to be serviced by the utility. Or, if they wish, they may shop for their own deal. But be forewarned -- good deals on natural gas are hard to come by these days.

## ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS

November 8, 2005 is Election Day.

The following are the voting locations in the city:

Ward 1 – Ellenwood Center

Ward 2 – Bedford High School

Ward 3 – UAW Hall

Ward 4 – Precinct A-B –  
Glendale School

Precinct C – First Baptist Church  
of Bedford

Ward 5 – Bedford City Hall

Ward 6 – Southeast Branch Library

If you have any questions about where you are registered to vote, please contact the Board of Elections at (216) 443-3200 or visit [www.cuyahoga.oh.us/BOE](http://www.cuyahoga.oh.us/BOE).



## \$\$ TAX NOTICE \$\$

- The City of Bedford signed a contract with Keith D. Weiner & Associates Co., L.P.A. to perform additional collections on past due income tax accounts. If you are contacted by this law firm they are affiliated with the City of Bedford Income Tax Department.
- Due to State Legislation House Bill 95, all Bedford residents will have a filing deadline of April 15, 2006 for 2005 Individual Income tax returns.

## BEETHOVEN'S 5TH

On Saturday, November 5, 2005 the Akron Youth Symphony directed by Matthew Kramer will be performing *Beethoven's 5th*. The concert will take place in the Bedford High School Auditorium located at 481 Northfield Road, performances begin at 3:30p.m and 7:30pm. Proceeds from the concert will be used to fund STEP –Stability, Training, Em-

ployment and Progress, a charitable and nonprofit employment training and job placement program, through Oakwood Community Services Inc. Ticket prices range from \$8-\$12 for adults and \$4-\$6 for children under 12. For further information or to purchase tickets please contact Joe Mestnik at 440-232-2080.



## SNOW REMOVAL



As old man winter arrives, we need to think about the unwelcomed tasks of removing

the ice & snow. Bedford ordinance requires removal of snow by 9:00 am the morning following the snowfall. Residents are

not required to clean sidewalks more than once per day. Business and commercial property owners may not allow contractors or delegated persons to place snow on the sidewalks. Unoccupied properties must adhere to the same responsibilities, throughout the season.

## BEDFORD RECYCLES - BLUE BAG RECYCLING



After an overwhelming response to the City's blue bag recycling program, the City will continue the blue bag program.

Distribution to residents will start in the Summer of 2006. The City will distribute more blue bags along with the Spring/Summer Newsletter and the Good Neighbor Guide. Keep a lookout for all the fun and informative news heading your way.

## POLICE ROBOT

The Police Department has a new member to the force. The Police Department received a donation from the Bedford Community Council for the new Robotic Officer. There will be a contest to officially name him. The new patrolman is for crime prevention and will travel from school to school, attend City wide activities, and will act as an educational piece for child safety.



**The City  
of Bedford  
wishes you  
a Safe  
and Happy  
New Year!**



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## FALL & WINTER ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE BEDFORD SERVICE DEPARTMENT

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**LEAF COLLECTION** has begun. Rake leaves to the tree lawn. **DO NOT PUT LEAVES IN THE STREET** (per City Ordinance #531.04 you will be issued a citation for littering.) Raking leaves into the street will block catch basins and storm sewers. The City will run 4 machines and make continuous rounds until leaves are collected. Please be considerate of parking on public streets during leaf collection season.

**CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION** will make rounds with the chipper service until all Christmas trees are collected. Please place your tree on the tree lawn and please make sure bags and ornaments have been removed before pick up.

**SNOW REMOVAL** when snow exceeds 2 inches, a parking ban is put into effect. No parking on any city street (Ordinance # 5641-86.) This makes it easier for the city snowplows to clear the streets. Snow removal on sidewalks is the property owner's responsibility. When removing snow from driveways and sidewalks, all snow is to remain on your property.



## CONSTRUCTION ALERT

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### Rockside Road Bridge:

Construction will commence in the Fall of 2005 and will be completed in Summer 2006. Traffic will be maintained at all times, but please be patient with the inconveniences.



**“Please slow down our  
Moms & Dads work here!”**